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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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application of: Gelu Voicu, et al.

Application No.:

10/660,222

Art Unit.: 2819

Filing Date:

9/10/2003

Examiner: Joseph Lauture

For:

"DIGITAL POTENTIOMETER INCLUDING PLURAL BULK IMPEDDANCE DEVICES"

Atty. Dkt. No.: CAT-12502-1

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 27, 2005

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

- 1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
- 2. **STATUS**: Applicant is a small entity.
- 3. **EXTENSION OF TERM:** The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- 4. **FEE FOR CLAIMS:** The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee	824 - 4494
Total	86	Minus	77	= 9	x \$25 =	\$225.00	
Indep.	7	Minus	6	= 1	x \$100 =	\$100.00	
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim + \$180 = \$0							
					Total Addit. Fee	\$ <u>325.00</u>	

5. **FEES:** Please charge the \$325.00 additional claims fees to our <u>credit card (Form 2038 enclosed</u>). If any additional extension and/or fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0574.

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12/07/05

Signature: Carrie Reddick

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Applicant:

Gelu Voicu, et al.

Assignee:

Catalyst Semiconductor, Inc.

Title:

Digital Potentiometer Including Plural Bulk

Impedance Devices

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RESPONSE TO THIRD OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit the following remarks in response to the outstanding Office Action dated November 30, 2005.

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